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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN APPLICATION OF	)
WEDNED ORDEOUT ET AL	) GROUP NO: 1712
WERNER OBRECHT ET AL	) ) EXAMINER: D. J. BUTTNER
SERIAL NO.: 09/981,045	) ) RESPONSE TO PAPER NO. 8
FILED: OCTOBER 16, 2001	)
TITLE: RUBBER GELS AND RUBBER COMPOUNDS CONTAINING PHENOLIC RESIN ADDUCTS	APR 1 4 2003

## **RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on December 4, 2002. A Petition for Extension of Time is being filed simultaneously herewith. The Examiner's rejections have been carefully considered, and in view of the remarks and claim amendments, reconsideration and early allowance of Claims 1-3 and 7-11 is courteously requested.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on 04/03/03

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Date